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Paul J. McNulty, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, announced today that Shevan Jalal Shaban, 29 of Silver Springs, Maryland, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Claude M. Hilton to 120 months incarceration and restitution of \$1,487,769.22. Shaban was convicted of bank fraud and unauthorized use of access devices.

Over a period of 11 months, Shevan Shaban and his brother, Kavan Shaban, masterminded a counterfeit check cashing scheme causing losses in excess of \$2 million to local banks. He also stole the identity of a Richmond doctor and made fraudulent transactions involving fraudulently obtained credit cards causing additional losses exceeding \$6,000. To date, seven individuals have been convicted and sentenced federally, and four additional individuals have been convicted and sentenced by state and local authorities. The case is still being investigated.

The case was investigated by the Fairfax County Police Department, United States Postal Inspection Service, Federal Bureau of Investigation and the United States Secret Service. Assistant United States Attorneys Dennis M. Kennedy and Robert Wiechering prosecuted the case for the United States Attorney's Office.